

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:177

ANSWERED ON:13.12.2004

MAJOR AND MEDIUM IRRIGATION PROJECTS

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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether execution of major and medium irrigation projects in States including Orissa are being taken up through externally aided schemes like Japan Bank for International Cooperation (JBIC), World Bank and internal assisted schemes of Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme (AIBP) and National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the quantum of additional irrigation potential increased during the current year from such external assistance;

(d) the details of projects completed by such agencies; and

(e) by when the remaining projects are likely to be completed?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI PRIYA RANJAN DASMUNSI)

(a) to (e) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 177 FOR ANSWER ON 13.12.2004

Some of the major and medium irrigation projects are being implemented with assistance from external funding agencies like Japan Bank for International Cooperation (JBIC) and World Bank. Central Loan Assistance is also provided to the various States under Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme (AIBP) for completion of on-going projects. The National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) under the Ministry of Finance also provides financial assistance to State Governments to some extent in the irrigation sector.

The details in respect of assistance provided for major and medium irrigation project by various agencies and under programmes mentioned above with specific reference to projects in Orissa is as under:

Description	World Bank for International Cooperation (JBIC)	Japan Bank Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme (AIBP)	for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD)	National Bank
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a) Number of Schemes supported :

i) Total	42	5	181	452
ii) Orissa	5	3	17	37

b) Number of schemes completed:

i) Total	37	2	32	233
ii) Orissa		5	2	NIL 25

The actual irrigation potential created through a specific project can be assessed only after completion of the project. Additional irrigation potential created by the project are not assessed on year to year basis as the projects are implemented during a period of many years.

The projects are to be executed as per the implementation schedule. However, completion of the projects depends upon the promptness with which the State Governments provide funds and priority to the project.